United States. All Defendants are sued herein in their official capacities. Defendants

are in charge of the processing and adjudication of applications for naturalization.

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- 3. The Court has jurisdiction of this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1331, 28 U.S.C. 1361, 28 U.S.C. 1651 and 5 U.S.C. 701 et seq., and relief is requested pursuant to said statutes.
- 4. The Plaintiff filed an application for naturalization with the Defendants in September of 2006, and he was fingerprinted about three weeks later. However, he has never been examined on his application as contemplated in 8 U.S.C. 1446(b).
- 5. The Plaintiff has inquired many times of Defendants as to the status of his application. He has written personal letters to Defendants Chertoff and Mukasey as well as to the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), both California Senators, the First Lady and Representative Bilbray. The general response was that the Defendants were awaiting some kind of "clearance" or "check". As of February of 2008, the checks have apparently still not been completed.
- 6. The Defendants' internet inquiry site reports, as of January 15, 2008, that naturalization applications like that of the Plaintiff are being scheduled for interview within about seven months of receipt. The Plaintiff has been waiting now over sixteen months.
- 7. The failure of Defendants to move forward with the Plaintiff's application has effectively denied him the opportunity to become an American citizen.
 - 8. The Plaintiff has exhausted his administrative remedies.
- 9. The Defendants' refusal to act on the Plaintiff's application is arbitrary and not in accord with the law and regulations, and the Plaintiff has been greatly damaged thereby.

10. The Defendants, in violation of the law and regulations, are unlawfully withholding or unreasonably delaying action on the Plaintiff's application and have failed to carry out the adjudicative and administrative functions delegated to them by law with regard to Plaintiff's application.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays:

That the Defendants be ordered to move forward with Plaintiff's application for naturalization and schedule him for interview, and

That the Court award such other and further relief as to this Court may seem reasonable and proper.

Dated: 02/04/2008

Robert A. Mautino Mautino & Mautino Attorney for Plaintiff

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